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In re application of:

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For: MESOTHELIN, A
DIFFERENTIATION ANTIGEN
PRESENT ON MESOTHELIUM,
MESOTHELIOMAS AND OVARIAN
CANCERS AND METHODS AND KITS
FOR TARGETING THE ANTIGEN

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, under "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS," please delete the entirety of the sentence and substitute in its place:

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This application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/215,035, filed December 17, 1998, which is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/776,271, filed January 12, 1998, which is a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT/US97/00224, filed January 3, 1997, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/010,166, filed January 5, 1996, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.